



## Surprised by Jesus | Authority

Mark 4:35-5:43 |

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### SUMMARY

In the sermon we saw that Jesus is the One who came to bring FREEDOM for people:

- **Jesus uses his authority to free us from spiritual death.** Only God has the authority to forgive sin and give eternal life; Jesus' Cross is the vehicle by which this is accomplished.
- **Jesus uses his authority to free us from wandering in the darkness.** All the teaching Jesus did, and that the Bible surrounds, is meant not only to inform us about eternity, but to direct our present lives. We live in a world that, because of sin, is broken (out there, and in here). This means we need help in appraising what is true/helpful - about ourselves and the world around us. God's Word does that for us.

### READ...

- **Read Mark 4:35-5:4** out loud  
*(if studying in a group, all but one person should keep their Bibles closed for now).*
- **Read SLOWLY.** Line by line if you can.
- **Read as if for the first time.**

### ASK...

1. What did it say? **Tell it plain.** Don't be showy, or wordy.
2. What do you see? **Picture** the scene/people. What stands out?
3. What happens next? **Guess!** Say, "I wonder..."
4. What do you hear? What **word** comes to mind after reading? **Why** do you think God included this here in the Story?
5. What do you want to do (As a result of what **Jesus** has done)?